

Peer-Assisted Learning Online Language Practice Sessions

Semester 2 2020-21

The Language Resource Centre offers a variety of language practice sessions led by fluent/native-level speaking students in a wide range of languages and levels. Available to Newcastle University members of the Language Resource Centre, these weekly sessions are intended to provide an informal and relaxed way to practise your spoken language skills.

Choose from a range of Conversation Groups (1 hour) and 1-to-1 sessions (20 mins)

****Due to COVID-19 all PAL sessions will take place online via Microsoft Teams****

Language	Session Type	Level	Time	Day
Chinese	1-to-1	Any	15:30-16:30	Monday
Chinese	Conversation Group	Intermediate	14:00-15:00	Monday
Chinese	Conversation Group	Advanced	16:00-17:00	Tuesday
French	1-to-1	Any	15:00-16:00	Friday
French	Conversation Group	Intermediate	11:00-12:00	Monday
French	Conversation Group	Lower Advanced	12:00-13:00	Monday
French	Conversation Group	Lower Advanced	12:00-13:00	Thursday
French	Conversation Group	Upper Advanced	12:00-13:00	Friday
French	Conversation Group	Upper Advanced	13:00-14:00	Friday
German	1-to-1	Any	10:00-11:00	Monday
German	1-to-1	Any	11:30-12:30	Monday
German	Conversation Group	Intermediate	10:00-11:00	Thursday
German	Conversation Group	Lower Advanced	11:00-12:00	Wednesday
German	Conversation Group	Upper Advanced	11:00-12:00	Tuesday
Italian	1-to-1	Any	11:00-12:00	Tuesday
Italian	1-to-1	Any	11:00-12:00	Thursday
Italian	Conversation Group	Intermediate	12:00-13:00	Tuesday
Japanese	1-to-1	Any	12:00-13:00	Friday
Japanese	Conversation Group	Intermediate	14:00-15:00	Friday
Japanese	Conversation Group	Advanced	13:00-14:00	Friday
Korean	1-to-1	Any	10:00-11:00	Thursday
Korean	Conversation Group	Intermediate	11:00-12:00	Thursday
Portuguese	1-to-1	Any	10:00-12:00	Friday
Spanish	1-to-1	Any	10:00-12:00	Monday
Spanish	1-to-1	Any	10:00-11:00	Tuesday
Spanish	Conversation Group	Intermediate	12:00-13:00	Tuesday
Spanish	Conversation Group	Lower Advanced	15:00-16:00	Monday
Spanish	Conversation Group	Lower Advanced	16:00-17:00	Monday
Spanish	Conversation Group	Upper Advanced	16:00-17:00	Tuesday
Spanish	Conversation Group	Upper Advanced	17:00-18:00	Tuesday

Book a place!

If you are interested in signing up for any of the language practice sessions, go to <https://workshops.ncl.ac.uk/public/lrc/>

Not a member of the LRC yet? Please [register with the LRC](#) before booking a session.

Conversation Groups

You can attend as many or as few of the conversation group sessions as you wish, but you need to sign up every week you'd like to attend. Sessions are released and available to book on the [Workshops](#) website up to 2 weeks in advance.

1-to-1 Sessions

The 1-to-1 sessions are limited to 1 x 20 minute appointment per language per person per week. Sessions are released and available to book on the [Workshops](#) website up to 2 weeks in advance.

FAQs

- **Where do the sessions take place?**

Due to COVID-19 all PAL sessions will be taking place online via Microsoft Teams for Semester 2. Once you have booked your place, you will be added to the LRC PAL Team and relevant channel before the scheduled session.

- **Who can attend?**

All current students of the University who are [register with the Language Resource](#) Centre can sign up for the sessions.

- **Which level group should I join?**

As an approximate guideline:

Intermediate groups are roughly Level A2/B1 (CEFR) or GCSE and above.

Lower Advanced groups are roughly Level B2 (CEFR) or A' Level and above.

Upper Advanced groups are for Level C1 and above.

Advanced groups are for both lower and upper advanced students as described above.

- **Can I sign up to more than one session?**

Yes, you can sign up to as many conversation groups as you like.

The 1-to-1 sessions are limited to 1 x 20 minute appointment per language per person per week.

- **How big are the conversation groups?**

Numbers can vary depending on demand though online groups are currently limited to a maximum of 6 people.

- **What should I do if I can no longer attend session I've booked?**

If you can't attend a session for any reason please log in to <https://workshops.ncl.ac.uk/> to cancel your booking so that someone else can take up your space. If you have any problems cancelling a booking let us know (email: language.resource@ncl.ac.uk)

- **Can I suggest another language session that you currently don't offer?**

Yes, please use our online suggestion form on our website:

<https://www.ncl.ac.uk/language-resource-centre/about/feedback-suggestions/> to tell us about your interest in a language or level currently not on offer. If there's sufficient demand and budget available, it may be offered in the future.